

SUNDAY, February 19, 2012 | SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



CHURCH OF THE
PRESENTATION
of the Blessed Virgin Mary

1725 Kennard Street • Maplewood, Minnesota 55109



• He said to the paralytic, "I say to you, rise, pick up your mat, and go home." He rose, picked up his mat at once, and went away in the sight of everyone. They were all astounded and glorified God, saying, "We have never seen anything like this."

Mk 2:11-12

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Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
Mon-Thurs: 8:00 a.m. Fri: 8:45 a.m.

Confessions

Saturday: 3:30–4:30 p.m.
Wednesday: 7:30–7:50 a.m.
or by appointment

Parish Office

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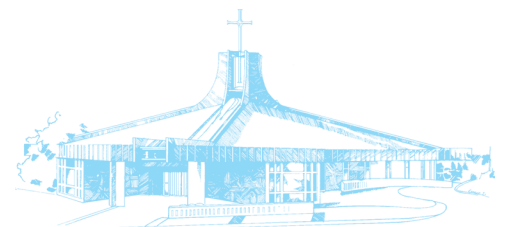
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Mass Intentions

20-Mon:

8:00 am † Mary Burdash

21-Tues:

8:00 am † John Saumweber

22-Wed: Ash Wednesday

8:45 am Parishioners

7:00 pm Parishioners

23-Thurs:

8:00 am † John Focht

24-Fri:

8:45 am † Dick & Diane
Schwinghammer

25-Sat:

5:00 pm † Pete Williams

26-Sun:

8:30 am Parishioners

10:30 am † Jack Godbout

Infant Baptism:

Contact the Parish Office
A preparation session is required.
Session may be taken prior to
the birth of the child.

Marriage:

Begin arrangements with
the priest or deacon at least
1 year in advance.

Anointing of the Sick:

This sacrament is available to
anyone who is seriously ill or
suffering from a prolonged illness.
Please call the Parish Office for
arrangements.

First Communion, First Confessions, Confirmation, Adult Baptism:

Please call the Parish Office
at 651-777-8116

Anyone wishing to register
as a member of the parish
should call the Parish Office at
651-777-8116. If you move, or
change your phone number,
please call the Parish Office
and let us know your new address.

Prayer Line:

Call Bernie Brees at 651-774-5525

From the Director of Administration and Finance

Jesus Christ Superstar

Last week we heard of Jesus healing the leper ... then telling him not to say anything. The cured leper proclaimed the healing making it impossible for Jesus to go anywhere without being crowded. This week, now in Capernaum, the crowds press this superstar healer, Jesus, and he heals a paralytic – brought to him through the roof! Are we to expect that Jesus will do so for us?

In both stories, the healed persons were people of faith. They believed in Jesus and asked for His intercession.

We too have the need for healing – all of us – in ways we may not even realize. The areas that we know about may be some small area of our lives like an attitude adjustment. It might be a spiritual need as simple as being open to His presence. It might be a bigger area of our lives like an addiction, or a deep-rooted bitterness, or some other human failing.

Do we truly believe that Jesus can heal us? Do we truly put our faith in Him? And, do we ask for His healing presence in the particular area of healing that we know we have a need?

We needn't think of Jesus doing superstar miracles. He is there for all the big stuff and all the little ones too. But we must be open to His presence and believe he will provide the grace in our lives to heal where we need healing just as the leper and the paralytic did. As we ask and receive such grace he touches us and we become closer to Him. Recognizing his presence in our lives is a gift in itself and will heal us in ways we have not even asked.

In Christ, Steve Blessing

Kelly Leahy Benefit Fish Fry

All-you-can-eat fish (fried or baked), potatoes (fried or baked),
cole slaw, dinner roll, coffee and dessert.

Friday, March 2, 2012 4 to 8 pm

Presentation School Gym

Cost: \$9 for adults, \$4 for children ages 6 to 11,

Free for ages under 5

The Knights of Columbus Council #4374 will be holding a Fish Fry Benefit for Kelly, a wonderful servant of God and friend to many in the community, who is recovering from neck surgery and needs your prayers and financial support to help with his mounting medical bills. Kelly is also fighting Guillain-Barre Syndrome (a painful disorder attacking his immune system). Please support Kelly, his wife Nancy and their family with your generous prayerful and financial support during this difficult time. All proceeds will go to benefit the family.

If you are unable to attend the event, yet would still like to help the Leahy family, donations can be sent via the Knights of Columbus Father Finley Council. Make checks payable to: K of C #4374. (Please write "Leahy Benefit" in the check memo line). Mail donations to: Knights of Columbus, 2141 Jessamine Ave. E., St. Paul, MN 55119-3347.

Follow event updates on Facebook at "Kelly Leahy Benefit." For more information, contact Mike Braun at 651-779-0769.

Need Silent Auction donations. *If you have a gift card that you are not using or theater or sports tickets to donate, all are welcome. Perhaps you can donate and auction off your labor, skills or expertise to help raise funds. Items can be dropped off at the Parish Center. Contact Lyn Haselmann at 651-842-6070 with questions.*

Faith Formation



LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE

Today's Gospel story of the man lifted up to the roof and down to the feet of Jesus is one that is dear to the hearts of the children. When asked what the man did after he was healed, one child replied, "He thanked Jesus and then he went and fixed the roof!"

Sincerest thanks to the parents of our First Communicants who participated in the meetings last week...99% in attendance!

Parents of the children in Faith Formation are reminded to come as a family to the Ash Wednesday evening Mass (7 pm) this coming week. Attendance of the children will be taken. The children have been instructed on the meaning of the sacramental blest ashes and of the season of Lent. There is NO Faith Formation session that evening.

Best wishes to all for a blessed and fruitful Lenten season.

- S. Kathy

Social Concerns

Justice: While some people climb to the top using other people as their step ladder, there are others who see all people as their siblings in the global family of God. Lest we become "ladder climbers" where consumerism is our main goal rather than the needs of our brothers and sisters in poverty, seeing them as our siblings will allow our hearts to grow in compassion and justice. We are called to learn the ethic of hard work and strive to create a culture of KINDNESS where we "roll up our sleeves" and work for systemic change for the COMMON GOOD. Lent calls us to be DISTURBED by those structures which keep our siblings in poverty.

- PSJC

Charity: "Like new" bedroom furniture items were donated and delivered to a family in need of them. God's blessings on the donor and those who delivered them to the home of the recipient.

With Lent "on our doorstep", we might resolve to increase our "food and funds" donations to our siblings who live in poverty. This is called ALMSGIVING - one of the traditional works we are called to do during Lent.

God accompanies those who live in poverty...Do we?"

H.E.O. Update



Thank you for your donations to area food shelves.
91 lbs went to Roosevelt Homes/Merrick on February 13.
February 21 (Tuesday) — Viv Forsberg, Dayton's Bluff
Thank you for your generosity! May God bless you!

Pastoral Care

GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS meets Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center lower level. For more information, please call Colleen at 651-295-9853.

Stewardship



Forgiveness, too, is a gift from God. Freed from the paralysis of sin, the man in today's Gospel was able to stand and give witness to the power of God. How do I let sin cripple me? Am I a good steward of the gift of God's forgiveness?

Mother/Daughter Breakfast

Saturday, March 10th
10:00 am—12:00 Noon
Kenney Hall
Cost \$15.00

Breakfast will consist of a delicious hash brown quiche, caramel rolls, fresh fruit, orange juice and coffee catered by Kristi Otto and Café Cravings. Enjoy fantastic entertainment by Sara Renner and members of her band



"The Elements." Sara, an award-winning songwriter and vocalist, shares her unique blend of Gospel, Jazz & Soul. Her music will make you laugh, make you cry and watch out it might even get your toes tapping! *Reservations are due by Friday, March 2nd.* Forms can be found on our website at www.presentationofmary.org, at the Kennard Street entrance or at the Parish Center.

PCLC News



Imagine showing up to work in your pajamas! And no, it's not a nightmare...you're a preschool teacher! Last week we were learning how to print the letter "P" and talking about words that begin with "P". So we had a pajama day. We wore our jammies and brought our favorite stuffed animals. We had fun reading bedtime stories in the dark and playing 5 Little Monkeys Jumping On The Bed.



Presentation School News

- ◆ **Our Lenten Journey** - Ash Wednesday, February 22, starts our Lenten season as well as our school's journey to Easter. The theme for this year's Lenten project is *Living out the Corporal Works of Mercy*. Students will use the Seven Corporal Works of Mercy to provide a focus for each week of Lent and place a social justice emphasis in prayer and spiritual practice throughout the season. Our students will participate in Stations of the Cross each Friday at 2:15 in the church.
- ◆ **Presentation School Supports the Parish Festival** - In order to raise money to purchase prizes for the Kiddie Land, our school will have Out of Uniform/School Spirit Days before the festival. On these days, students may wear Pres Wear clothes and/or school colors. Parents can give \$2.00 to their children on the School Spirit Day if they choose to come out of uniform. Upcoming Out of Uniform/School Spirit Days are:
 - Tuesday, March 6, 2012
 - Tuesday, March 27, 2012
 - Tuesday, April 17, 2012
 - Tuesday, May 1, 2012
- ◆ **Kindergarten Registrations** are now being accepted. Applications can be obtained through the School Office (651) 777-5877 or on the parish website <http://www.presentationofmary.org/school>.

PCLC Enrollment



Applications for the 2012-13 preschool-school year are being accepted. ** NEW for 2012-13 MWF PM 12:30 pm-3:00 pm and 5 day per week Pre-Kindergarten Programs! Prospective parents are encouraged to arrange a personal tour by calling the Learning Center at

651-770-3093 or visit our website, www.presentationofmary.org, select the "Learning Center" from the tab. Program options include part-day preschool, pre-kindergarten and child care programs. These programs represent the best in early childhood education. Be sure to submit your applications as soon as you have made your programming selection.



REST IN PEACE

Please remember in your prayers, Lorraine Kehl who has died recently. Our sympathy to her family and friends.

H.E.O. Drives are needed to drop donated food items to area food shelves. If you are interested please call Viv Forsberg at 651-777-5466.

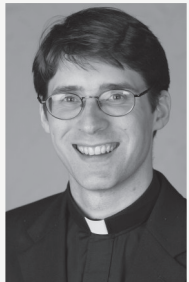
Lenten Mission

Our Renewal In and Through the Liturgy

Reflections offered by Fr. John Paul Erickson

March 4-6

Three consecutive evenings beginning at 7:00 pm in the main Church



Father John Paul Erickson was born and raised in Saint Paul, MN, where he attended Catholic parochial schools from age 5 to 18.

Following his graduation from Thomas Aquinas College in California in 2002, Father Erickson entered the Saint Paul Seminary, receiving ordination at the hands of Archbishop Harry Flynn in 2006. He has since served as associate pastor of the Cathedral of Saint Paul, the Church of Saint Vincent de Paul in Saint Paul, and the Church of Saint Agnes.

He is currently the Director of the Archdiocesan Office of Worship, his full time assignment since the summer of 2008, and continues to assist with the sacramental needs of Saint Agnes in Saint Paul.

The evening topics include:

Sunday, March 4

Conversion and the Sacraments of the Church

Monday, March 5

Redemptive Suffering: The Power of "Offering it up" and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

Tuesday, March 6

7 Steps to Holiness—The Liturgy and Christian Discipleship

For three consecutive evenings Father John Paul Erickson will lead Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary in a dynamic Parish Mission centered around the Sacred Liturgy. The Church teaches that the Sacred Liturgy is the Source and Summit of the Christian Way of Life. His reflections will offer new insight into the questions: Why do the Mass and the other sacraments matter so much, and how can we make them a bigger part of our own spiritual lives?

Mass Readings (Week of February 20)

20-Mon: Jas 3: 13-18; Ps 19: 8-10, 15; Mk 9: 14-29
21-Tues: Jas 4: 1-10; Ps 55: 7-11, 23; Mk 9: 30-37
22-Wed: Jl 2: 12-18; Ps 51: 3-6a, 12-14, 17; 2 Cor 5: 20-6:2; Mt 6: 1-6, 16-18
23-Thurs: Dt 30: 15-20; Ps 1: 1-4, 6; Lk 9: 22-25
24-Fri: Is 58: 1-9a; Ps 51: 3-6a, 18-19; Mt 9: 14-15
First Sunday in Lent
25-Sat:
26-Sun: Gn 9: 8-15; Ps 25: 4-9; 1 Pt 3: 18-22; Mk 1: 12-15

Homebound Communion Ministers

Homebound Communion Ministers scheduled to deliver Communion on:

February 19th Pat Blaskowski/Lynda Semlak
Kari Heimer/Val Davis
Ellen LaScotte Carl Ostling
Bob & Maryann Leo—MCC

February 26th Roger Goerke Denise Legato
Tom Mogren Tom Nikolas
Tom Bieter—MCC

Altar Servers Schedule

Saturday, February 25—5:00 pm
Austin Otto, Jay & Kimberly Delveaux
Sunday, February 26—8:30 am
Peter & Katherine Book, Emily O'Brien
Sunday, February 26—10:30 am
Lizzy Ott, Connor Bidwell & Danny Hagedorn

2012 Lent Schedule



Ash Wednesday - February 22
6:30 am Prayer service with ashes
8:45 am Mass with School children
7:00 pm Mass with Faith Formation children

Stations of the Cross — Fridays during Lent
2:15 pm and 7:00 pm

Adoration —St. Francis Chapel in Parish Center
Tuesdays—February 28, March 6, 13, 20, 27
from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm
Wednesday, April 4—9:00 am through
Thursday, April 5—12:00 midnight

Lenten Penance Service —March 20
7:00 pm (with individual Confession)

Catholic Services Appeal

The Catholic Services Appeal will be conducted in our parish next weekend. Your support of the CSA brings God's hope, love, and "His Promise" to countless of our brothers and sisters in our Archdiocese. Please be generous.

Stewardship of Treasure

What I am is God's gift to me ...

Amount needed in February	\$62,000
Sunday Envelopes	\$10,154
Automatic Deposits.....	\$601
Plate Collection	\$338
Children's Envelopes	\$3.50
Weekly Total (thru Feb 13).....	\$11,097
February Collections to Date	\$34,255

...what I become is my gift to God.

Archdiocesan debt from past obligations is \$74,000. The most recent payment of this debt was made on January 31, 2012 in the amount of \$15,000. The elimination of the remaining debt is the principal goal of the final-year "Home Stretch" of the Securing Our Future capital campaign.

Parish Calendar

19-Sun: 10:30 am Joy Program (S)
10:30 am Nursery (FFC)
12:00 pm Cub Scout Blue & Gold (G)

20-Mon: 7:00 pm Parish Festival Core Group (CR)

21-Tue: 11:45 am 55 Club Luncheon (Offsite)
7:00 pm Admin/Finance (CR)

22-Wed: 6:30 am Ash Wednesday Prayer Service (C)
8:45 am All School Mass (C)
1:30 pm Hazel Ridge Communion Service
2:00 pm CareFree Chateau Comm. Service
2:30 pm Norgard Court Comm. Service
7:00 pm Ash Wednesday Mass (C)

23-Thur: 2:30 pm Rosary Ramsey Care Center
7:00 pm GA (MR/FR/KR)
9:00 pm Volleyball (G)

24-Fri: 8:45 am All School Mass (C)
10:45 am Ramsey CCC Communion Service
2:15 pm Stations of the Cross (C)
7:00 pm Stations of the Cross (C)

25-Sat: 6:00 pm POPS Trivia Night (G)

26-Sun: COFFEE SUNDAY (KH)
10:30 am Joy Program (S)
10:30 am Nursery (FFC)
11:30 am Baptisms (C)
6:00 pm Confirmation Candidates (G)

KEY TO MEETING PLACES:

Parish Center: PC-Parish Center, SFC-St. Francis Chapel, CR-Conference Room, FR-Fireplace Room, KR-Kircher Room, MR-Modesta Room, AR-Assisi Room

Other Areas: C-Church, KH-Kenney Hall, G-Gym, S-School, BR-Band Room, FL-Faculty Lounge, FFC-Faith Formation Center, MRS-Mary's Room in School, R-Rectory, RF-Raymond Field, WR- Wold Resource